

Amendments to the Claims

Please cancel Claims 1-34. Please add new Claims 35-43. The Claim Listing below will replace all prior versions of the claims in the application:

Claim Listing

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35. (New) A device comprising:

- a band having at least one outer edge;
- a fastening arranged to fasten said band around a body part of a user;
- a Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) circuit disposed in the band, the RFID circuit comprising:

- an antenna; and

- a transponder chip; and

- at least one electrically conductive trace disposed in the band, wherein the combination of said trace and said antenna surround at least a portion of the fastening such that a cut cannot be made between said at least one outer edge of the band and said portion of the fastening without also severing at least one of said antenna and said trace.

36. (New) The device of claim 35, wherein the fastening is comprised of a barbed peg, mating hole, and at least one adjustment hole, such that the fastening may be secured by passing said peg through said adjustment hole and locked into said mating hole.

37. (New) The device of claim 36, wherein the portion of the fastening mechanism that is surrounded is at least of the following: said barbed peg, said mating hole, and said at least one adjustment hole.

38. (New) The device of claim 35 wherein the band further comprises:

identification information in printed form.

39. (New) The device of claim 35 wherein the band has one or more holes formed along a length thereof and the electrically conductive trace runs adjacent to the holes.

40. (New) A device comprising:

a band having an interior portion surrounded by an outer edge;

a barbed peg;

a mating hole;

a plurality of adjustment holes disposed along a portion of the band such that said identification device may be snugly fitted to a user's body part by inserting said peg through a selected one of said adjustment holes and locking said peg into said mating hole;

a Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) circuit disposed in the band, the RFID circuit comprising:

an antenna; and

a transponder chip; and

at least one additional electrically conductive trace wherein the combination of said electrically conductive trace and said antenna surround at least one of said adjustment holes.

41. (New) The device of claim 40, wherein the antenna and the electrically conductive trace are arranged such that a cut cannot be made between said outer edge of the band and said at least one of said adjustment holes without severing at least one of said antenna and said trace.

42. (New) The device of claim 40 wherein the band further comprises:

identification information in printed form.

43. (New) The device of claim 40 wherein the band has one or more holes formed along a length thereof and the electrically conductive trace runs adjacent to the holes.